



## Ohio State Racing Commission

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Chairman

### Minutes of the OSRC Meeting held May 22, 2018

1-The Ohio State Racing Commission (OSRC) held its monthly meeting May 22, 2018 at the Riffe Center, 77 South High Street, Columbus, Ohio, Room 1952, at 10 am.

2-OSRC Chairman Robert K. Schmitz called the meeting to order. Commissioners Todd Book, Gary Koch, Greg Simpson and Thomas Winters were present.

3-Commissioner Winters moved to approve the minutes of the meeting held on April 24, 2018. Commissioner Koch seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved.

4-Commissioner Book moved to approve the ratification of the Executive Director's approvals. Commissioner Winters seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved.

5-Commissioner Koch offered consideration of Resolution 2018-04, Cost of Testing. Commissioner Winters moved to adopt Resolution 2018-04 and Commissioner Koch seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved.

6- Dr. Byrum and Soobeng Tan and Jared Parko from the Ohio Department of Agriculture's Analytical Toxicology Laboratory presented the Ohio Department of Agriculture annual report to the Commission. Dr. Byrum stated the lab is accredited by the Racing Medication Testing Consortium (RMTTC). The lab is one of just 13 in the United States that is accredited for racing under the ISO 17025 standards.

Soobeng Tan stated the lab analyzed 21,681 samples from horses. Of the total samples analyzed 11,118 were plasma and 8,082 were urine samples. There were 2,481 were serum samples submitted for TCO<sub>2</sub> determination.

There were 134 positive tests in 2017. 73 positives were found in harness racing and 61 in thoroughbred racing. Following the trend of previous years, the regulated nonsteroidal, anti-inflammatory drugs, which are commonly referred to as NSAID specifically Phenylbutazone and Flunixin account for 53 percent of all positives. Flunixin continued to be the most common positive.

7- Stacy Cahill, General Manager of Racing Operations for Scioto Downs & Glenn Carano, Senior Vice President of Eldorado Resorts updated the OSRC on the renovation plans at Scioto Downs. The first job will be to relocate the power sources and then demolish the existing grandstand after this season. A new 800 seat grandstand will be available in 2020.

8--Dr. James Robertson, OSRC consulting veterinarian, gave an update on catastrophic horse fatalities due to training or racing in 2018. Since January 1, 2018, there was a total of 20 catastrophic breakdowns with 16 Thoroughbred and four Standardbred. During the month of April there were three Thoroughbred and two Standardbred fatalities due to racing and/or training.

9-Sherry White, OSRC Fiscal Officer gave her monthly financial report. Revenues are pretty much dead on with last year's revenues. Casino revenues and revenue from fines are up slightly. Tax revenues and fingerprint revenues are down slightly. Commission expenses are up seven percent with most of the additional expense is testing costs. Most expense categories are down slightly including payroll as well as the entire maintenance expense category which is down eight percent.

Executive Director William Crawford added that the office space was reduced in May 2018 from a rental cost of \$96,000 to approximately \$38,000 annually.

10-Chairman Schmitz had no comments.

11-There were no public comments.

12- Commissioner Winters moved to go into executive session to consider the hiring, promotion, discipline or compensation of public employees and any pending legal matters. Commissioner Simpson seconded the motion and the motion was approved via roll call vote: Chairman Schmitz voted Yes; Commissioner Book voted Yes; Commissioner Winters voted Yes; Commissioner Koch voted Yes; Commissioner Simpson voted Yes. Commissioner Winters moved to go out of executive session. Commissioner Simpson seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved via roll call vote: Chairman Schmitz voted Yes; Commissioner Winters voted Yes; Commissioner Koch voted Yes; Commissioner Simpson voted Yes; Commissioner Book voted Yes. Chairman Schmitz stated there would be an administrative matter after the executive session

13- After executive session, Commissioner Winters moved that the OSRC accept the recommendation and report provided by the Ohio Department of Transportation with respect to the case of Kimberly Rinker versus the Ohio State Racing Commission, CASE No. E18-004; DAS/#EOD#1479. Commissioner Simpson seconded the motion. The motion was approved via roll call vote: Chairman Schmitz voted Yes; Commissioner Book voted Yes; Commissioner Winters voted Yes; Commissioner Koch voted Yes; Commissioner Simpson voted Yes

14- Commissioner Simpson moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Book seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved.

The public meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

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Date, Time & Place of Next Meeting

June 27, 2018 @ 10 am

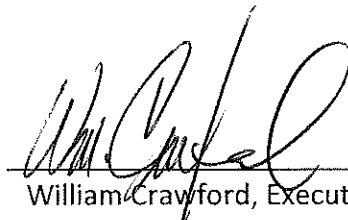
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Robert K. Schmitz, Chairman



William Crawford, Executive Director

OHIO STATE RACING COMMISSION

RESOLUTION 2018-04

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 3769. of the Revised Code authorizes the Ohio State Racing Commission ("Commission") to regulate and preserve the integrity of horse racing in Ohio;

**WHEREAS**, Rules 3769-8-01(B)(9) and 3769-18-01(B)(9) require the costs of analysis of blood and urine samples taken from one horse in each race be deducted from the purse pool applicable to the race tested;

**WHEREAS**, the actual costs of testing per race averaged one hundred eighty-eight dollars and eighty cents (\$188.80.) for standardbred horses and one hundred eighty-one dollars and forty cents (\$181.40) for thoroughbred horses in calendar year 2017;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Commission that for the period beginning July 1, 2018, and continuing until June 30, 2019, the cost of testing deducted from purse pools will be as follows:

- (A) One Hundred Eighty-Eight Dollars Eighty Cents(\$188.80) per standardbred race; and
- (B) One Hundred Eighty-One Dollars and Forty Cents (\$181.40) per thoroughbred race.

**AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, by the Commission that beginning July 1, 2018, the testing costs for standardbred and thoroughbred races shall be an average of the actual testing costs in calendar year 2017.

Adopted: May 22, 2018